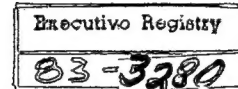


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General John A. Wickham, Jr., USA
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Room 3E668, The Pentagon

Dear General Wickham:

I want to extend my warmest congratulations and good wishes for success as you assume your new duties as Chief of Staff, United States Army. The operational concerns of the Army in these critical days are of great importance to us in the Intelligence Community, and I want to make sure that we maintain as close ties as possible in order that our efforts on the intelligence side focus on the issues of greatest moment.

We have been pleased to have Major General Bill Odom represent the Army at the meetings of the National Foreign Intelligence Board. In addition, I have asked Major General Edward ("Ted") Atkeson, the National Intelligence Officer for General Purpose Forces, to contact you directly at a convenient time to brief you on our estimates program.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey

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